LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) A method for improving recovery from general anesthesia in patients having undergone general anesthesia comprising:

a) administering general anesthesia to a patient;

b) monitoring the patient to determine that the patient is capable of ingesting liquids; and

c) administering a dose of modafinil to the patient which is effective to increase the cognitive function of the patient so that the cognitive dysfunction symptoms caused by the general anesthesia, said symptoms selected from the group consisting of mental clouding, loss of reading comprehension, loss of mental alertness, and inability to concentrate, are reduced.

3. (Cancelled).

4 (Cancelled).

5. (Cancelled)